

Capsule Summary
SM-780
Hurry Store
Clements
Private

circa 1900

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**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes _____
no ☒

Property Name: Hurry Store Inventory Number: SM-780
Address: 23660 Budds Creek Road (MD 234) Historic district: yes ☒ no
City: Clements Zip Code: 20624 County: Saint Marys
USGS Quadrangle(s): Leonardtown
Property Owner: James R. and Rosalyn Hurry Tax Account ID Number: 04-007751
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 57 Tax Map Number: 31
Project: MD 234 @ MD 242 Roundabout Construction (AW730A21) Agency: Maryland State Highway Administration
Agency Prepared By: Maryland State Highway Administration
Preparer's Name: Matt Manning Date Prepared: 05/14/2012
Documentation is presented in: Project Review & Compliance Files
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: _____ Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended
Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G
Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
Name of the District/Property: _____
Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: yes Listed: yes
Site visit by MHT Staff yes ☒ no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

This Determination of Eligibility expands upon information provided in the 2000 MIHP form prepared by Kirk E. Ranzetta.

Architectural Description

The Hurry Store is a late nineteenth-century crossroads general store located at the intersection of Budds Creek Road (MD 234) and Colton Point Road (MD 242) in St. Mary's County. The 0.5-acre parcel encompasses the store building, paved parking lot, and two accessory buildings. According to state tax records, the store was constructed in 1905. The property is located at a rural crossroads near the head of St. Clements Bay. Nearby buildings date from the early to mid-twentieth century; trees and agricultural fields characterize the surrounding area.

The Hurry Store is a gabled, two-story L-shaped building with a south-facing facade along Budds Creek Road. The building is finished with asbestos siding and has an asphalt-shingle roof. At some point the building was enlarged, resulting in its present gabled ell form. The main block is oriented on a north-south axis, perpendicular to Budds Creek Road. The smaller ell forms the building's west side; it parallels Budds Creek Road and is flush with the main block along the facade. Multiple changes to the exterior materials and fenestration have made it difficult to determine which form comprised the original building.

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MHT Comments:

Jim Tamm
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

K. Ranzetta
Reviewer, National Register Program

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The main entrance is centered beneath the gable of the main block. It is approached via a concrete-slab, hip-roofed porch along the facade. The porch is supported on square narrow wood posts and has a painted standing seam metal roof. The entrance comprises a paneled wood door with two-light glazing in the upper half. It is located within a vestibule fronted by a wood-framed screen door with sidelights. Adjacent to the entrance and flush with the vestibule, a plywood-covered former storefront extends from the facade and terminates at a secondary entrance at the facade's western end. This secondary entrance is obscured by a wood-framed screen door with a simple wood surround.

Paired double-hung sash windows occupy the building's four-bay second level. Two paired windows are centered along the main block's gable end. These windows are non-original vinyl-clad one-over-one units with wide mullions. The other paired windows are centered beneath the ell's eave. These are wood-framed two-over-two units with narrow mullions.

A painted standing-seam metal roof crowns the building. Both the main block and ell have shallow boxed eaves with narrow wood fascias. The main block's roof is slightly taller and has a higher pitch. Its gable end features cornice returns at the facade.

The building's east elevation features a full-width, enclosed hip-roofed porch. Asbestos siding completely covers the porch's south half. Its north half includes a row of four one-over-one double-hung sash windows. A glazed multi-light wood-framed door provides access to the porch. An additional one-over-one double-hung sash window is located south of the porch entrance. Wood-framed double-hung sash windows occupy the second story's three symmetrical bays. The south window is two-over-six, the center window is two-over-two, and the north window is six-over-six.

At the west elevation, the ell's gable end includes a central first-floor paired window with wood-framed one-over-one double-hung sash units. Two similar windows with a six-over-six configuration are centered on the second story. Adjacent to the ell's north wall is a one-story shed-roofed addition. The addition extends beyond the ell's western elevation; a flush wood or metal door and a louvered vent occupy the addition's south elevation. A similar one-story shed-roofed addition extends from the main block's north gable. Two interior brick chimneys pierce the main block's ridgeline. A similar chimney rises from the ell's shed-roofed addition.

Two small sheds occupy the parcel's north side. A gable-roofed shed with wood siding and paired flush metal doors stands northwest of the store. It has the same painted standing seam metal roof as the store building. The second shed is located along a tree line to the store's northeast; it has corrugated metal siding and a low-pitched gabled roof.

The Hurry Store is accessed via an asphalt parking lot that borders the facade and west elevation. A grassy right-of-way with wood utility poles separates the parking area from MD 234 to the south. Along MD 234 near the MD 242 intersection, a small backlit pylon sign displays the store name above a larger Cola-Cola advertisement. A wood picket fence extends from the store's enclosed porch east to the property line, screening a grassy private yard. Other than grass, the store has no landscaping.

History and Context

The Hurry Store is located at the intersection of MD 234 and MD 242 in Clements, Maryland. Clements developed as a rural crossroads community, and a post office was first established there in 1807. Originally known as "Head of St. Clements Bay," the name was shortened to "Clements" in 1896. The 1878 Maryland Directory described St. Clements Bay as having good land, with "plenty cleared." Nearby farms produced wheat, corn, tobacco, and hay. In addition, the area included four merchants dealing in general merchandise, several carpenters, and a physician.

Near Clements in 1868, John Cornelius Hurry (b. 1831) purchased a 300-acre tract known as "The Wolfholes." According to the

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deed, the land was "a short distance above the head of St. Clements Bay." Although he owned property in St. Mary's County, John C. Hurry is not listed as a farmer or merchant in the 1878 Maryland Directory.

In a 1991 interview, former proprietor James Hurry stated that his father, John Donelan Hurry (b. 1874), started the Hurry Store around 1900 with only a case of sardines and some borrowed whiskey. A building at the site of the present Hurry Store first appears on the 1892 Leonardtown USGS map at a T-intersection formed by the original routes of present-day MD 234 and MD 242. Although multiple road realignments have since changed the intersection's configuration, this building corresponds to the approximate location of the Hurry Store today.

Crossroads stores were common in rural Maryland throughout the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Martenet's 1865 maps of St. Mary's County depict many such merchants located at important intersections. These stores, situated to take advantage of local and regional traffic, typically offered a wide variety of goods and services to surrounding farmers and other nearby residents. In addition to offering merchandise, many stores served as post offices and informal gathering places. Store buildings were typically wood framed and one- to two-stories tall with gabled roofs. The buildings commonly resembled residences, and shopkeepers frequently lived and worked in the same building. Examples in St. Mary's County included Buzzy Ridgell's Store (SM-651) near Scotland, the Bailey/Ellis/Millison Store (SM-657) and the Morris/Gibson Store (SM-659) in Avenue, and Guy Tavern (SM-587) in Loveville. At least two general stores operated in the Clements area in the early twentieth century: the Hurry Store, at the intersection of MD 234 and MD 242, and Guy Bros. south of the intersection, along MD 242.

James Hurry was born at the Hurry Store in 1919 and worked there most of his life, taking over from his father about 1950. Throughout his time there, the store's merchandise included hardware, farm supplies, medicine, men's work clothes, beer and whiskey, meat, sandwiches, and penny candy, among other items. Women's clothing was sold upstairs, and for a time, the store had quarter and nickel slot machines. The store primarily served the surrounding residents and was open seven days a week, typically from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

James Hurry and his wife Rose operated the business for thirty years before retiring in 1981. Afterward, their son, James Hurry, Jr., ran the store until it closed in 2007. In his interview, James Hurry, Sr., could not recall any substantial changes to the building since his birth. The building is not currently in use; its first-floor façade windows are covered up, and all advertising and store-related fixtures have been removed from the exterior.

MD 242 was realigned in 1950, and a service station and a one-story commercial building were erected at the intersection, both south of MD 234. Several mid- to late twentieth-century single-family dwellings have been constructed along MD 234. Despite these changes, the area remains surrounded by agricultural land and retains much of its rural character.

Significance Evaluation

The Hurry Store was evaluated for significance using the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) Criteria A, B, and C, using the guidelines set forth in the NRHP bulletin, "How to Apply the National Register Criteria for Evaluation."

The Hurry Store is typical of rural crossroads stores established in Maryland and the Mid-Atlantic region in the 19th and 20th centuries and is a basic example of the type commonly built in St. Mary's County. Research conducted did not identify events or persons of state, local, or national significance, and the Hurry Store is not eligible for the NRHP under Criteria A or B. The Hurry Store has been modified by new additions, porch enclosures, replacement windows, and aluminum siding. Collectively, these alterations have compromised the Hurry Store's integrity of design, materials, and workmanship. The building is not the work of a master, nor does it exemplify an important architectural style found in St. Mary's County. Therefore, the Hurry Store is not eligible

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for inclusion in the NRHP under Criterion C. The property was not evaluated under Criterion D as part of this assessment. Based on the evaluated Criteria, the Hurry Store is not eligible for listing in the NRHP.

The Hurry Store encompasses 0.5 acres (21,780 sf) and is confined to the following St. Mary's County tax parcel boundary: 04-007751; Map 31, Parcel 57 (2012)

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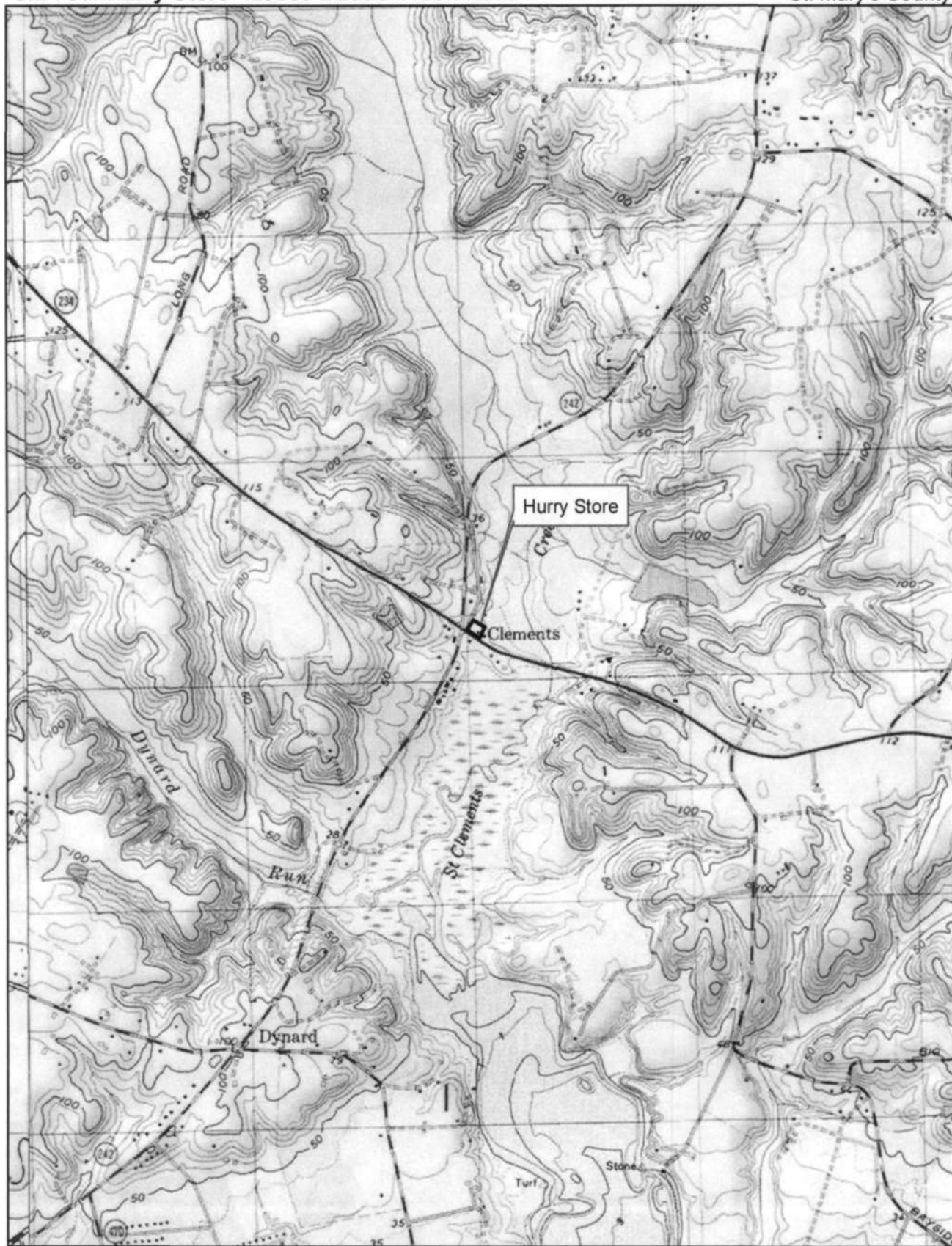
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St. Mary's County



USGS Quad Map - Leonardtown
1:24,000

Photo Log

Project Name: MD 234 at MD 242 Roundabout Construction

MIHP Name: Hurry Store

County: Saint Mary's

Photographer: M. Manning

Date: March 22, 2012

Ink and Paper Combination: Epson UltraChrome pigmented ink/Epson Premium Luster Photo Paper

CD/DVD: Verbatim, CD-R, Archival Gold

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View east from MD 234/MD 242 intersection

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South facade from MD 234

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Detail: south facade at main entrance

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View NW to south facade and east elevation

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West elevation from parking area

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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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1. Name of Property

(indicate preferred name)

historic Hurry Store

other

2. Location

street and number 23660 Budds Creek Road not for publication

city, town Clements vicinity

county St. Mary's

3. Owner of Property

(give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name James and Rosalyn Hurry

street and number 23660 Budds Creek Road telephone N/a

city, town Clements state Md zip code 20624

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-31, P-57

city, town Leonardtown liber 150 folio 220

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			0

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Hurry Store is located on the northeastern corner of Colton's Point Road and Budds Creek Road in the rural crossroads community of Clements, Maryland. Situated on a corner lot consisting of 21,780 square feet, the property is bounded by a small agricultural field and residential lot to the east and north and by Colton's Point Road to the west, and Budds Creek Road to the south. The property is largely clear of vegetation and a small parking lot is located on the lot's west-side immediately beside the store.

Constructed circa 1900, the Hurry Store is a two-story, three bay, frame dwelling with a gable roof and a rear two story addition. Judging from the building's fenestration, it appears that the store was originally oriented on an east/west axis, but has since been reoriented to face Budds Creek Road to the south. The exterior of the building is sheathed with asbestos shingles, while the gable roof is covered with raised seam metal. Two interior brick chimney flues project from the roof.

The original primary or east elevation is dominated by an enclosed porch. The second floor is pierced by three windows of varying double-hung sash that include a six-over-six, two-over-two, and two-over-six window.

The south elevation consists of the gable end of the main block and the two-story rear addition. Here, the first floor bays are largely shaded by an open porch supported by a series of square posts. While all of the windows have been covered over, a single door permits entry into the side of the main block. The second floor of the main block is pierced by sets of paired six-over-six windows. The addition, meanwhile, features two sets of paired two-over-two windows. The gable end of the main block is accentuated by cornice returns, while the addition features an open cornice and exposed rafter tails.

Other elevations were not observed.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
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Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	<u>21,780 square feet</u>	
Acreage of historical setting	<u>21,780 square feet</u>	
Quadrangle name	<u>Leonardtown</u>	Quadrangle scale: <u>1:24 000</u>

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded by a small agricultural field and residential lot to the east and north and by Colton's Point Road to the west, and Budds Creek Road to the south. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber 150, Folio 220.

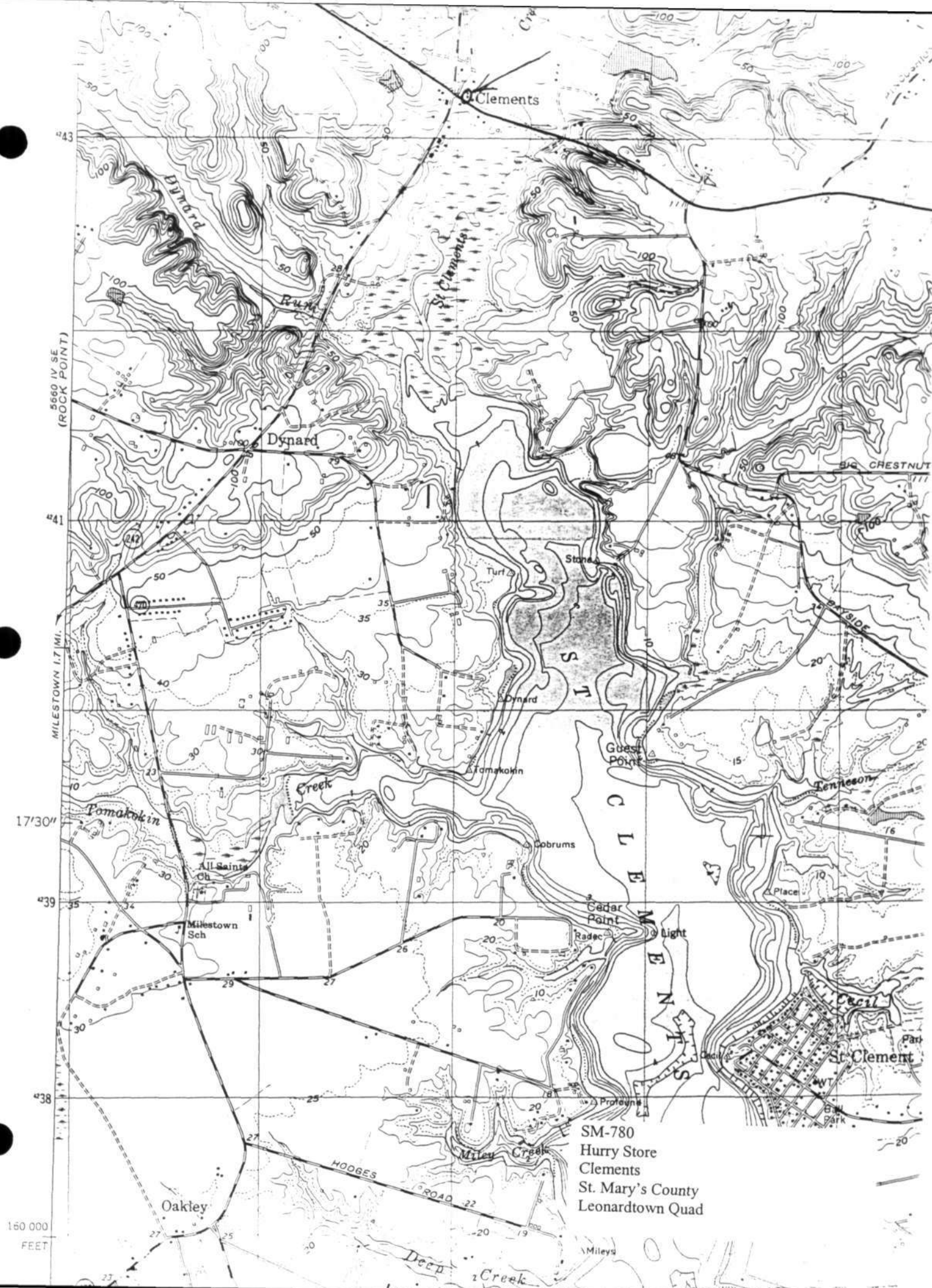
11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor		
organization	St. Mary's County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	August, 2000
street & number	22740 Washington Street	telephone	301-475-4662
city or town	Leonardtown	state	Maryland

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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